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## Join 1937 Red Cross Roll Call

The growth of the Junior Red Cross, not only in the United States but foreign countries as well, has been phenomenal. The growth has been attributed to the fact that where Juniors have been organized for service, there have been things found by them to be done.

**JOIN RED CROSS** They were responsible for the inauguration of the recreation and playground service among the children of the flood refugees in Red Cross camps and temporary shelters along the Ohio and Mississippi Valleys that had so quickly created new standards for relief work. From all sections of the country they contributed toys, books and money for this undertaking. This, together with the major projects, renewed hope and brightened the outlook on life.

The Red Cross has been the pioneering organization in the movement for accident prevention and general safety in the United States. The program carries on, where possible, for the promotion of swimming and life saving classes, has helped make our beaches and swimming pools safe for the novice as well as for the expert. The Red Cross technique in life saving is now standard in America and has been adopted by many foreign nations since the World War.

Eight million American school boys and girls, members of the Junior Red Cross, are working with the Senior Red Cross for better health and living conditions, and for better world understanding. Juniors, as well as adults, join the annual Roll Call from Armistice Day thru to Thanksgiving.

## THRILLS AND SPILLS IN DONKEY BASKETBALL

Donkey basketball made its bow to local fans last Friday night when Roscommon defeated a local aggregation by a two-point margin in a close battle full of spills. The donkey game as presented involved some new angles, with a pair of moveable goals and a loud-speaker system.

The local team, led by Roy Milne, consisted of "Tiny" Russell, Royal Wright, Ernie Boesel, Frank Bond, Willard Cornell, Dr. Stealy, and Lyman LaVack. The visitors from Roscommon, led by "Red" Murphy, consisted of Don Emery, McWilliams, Jim Price, Matheson, and Gardner. They trailed most of the way, but came from behind to tie up the game in the last quarter. Two overtimes were necessary to decide the issue. The high school athletic association wishes to thank all the players from both towns.

## Attend Junior Play Next Tues. Night

Next Tuesday the curtains will part on the annual Junior Play, "Papa And the Girls," which the Class of 1939 has been preparing for some time now. It promises to be a real evening's entertainment for those interested in high school theatics.

The play "Papa and the Girls" is three act light comedy about the troubles of the Archer family. The three children draw their financial support from their aunt who isn't able to control them in any satisfactory way until she brings in a man from the big north country, rugged as the country. When he comes in the complications come with him.

The cast of characters include thirteen members of the Junior class, and promises to do a smooth job of presenting this clever comedy. The youthful actors are as follow: Arnold Tibbets, Phyllis Hewitt, Kenneth Peterson, Marjorie Broadbent, Marion Skingley, Benita DeLaMater, Junior Lovely, Bette Nellist, Patricia Montour, James Petersen, Kathryn Carr, Einer Tahvonen, and Helen Isenhauer.

Mr. Roberts is in charge of production.

The tickets may be obtained from the members of the class and reserved seats and tickets both may be had at Mac & Gidley's. Plan to be on hand when the play gets under way. The orchestra and the High School Girl's Glee Club will entertain between the acts.

## Charged With Game Law Violations

Charles Snyder and Roy Leonard of South Branch township are serving 30 days in the County jail having been sentenced by Justice Hans Petersen, charged with illegal possession of venison.

Fletcher Fowler and Everett Zoges of Fremont landed in Grayling Sunday, and soon after Conservation officers came upon them with rifles in deer territory. They were brought before Justice Petersen Monday, and claimed that they were only shooting at a target, trying out their guns. This story did not sound good to the Judge and he fined them \$25.00 and costs amounting to \$31.85, which each one paid.

Steven Sloan of near Michigan City, charged with not having properly fastened his seal on the deer he shot, was brought before Judge Petersen Wednesday. However he was let off on suspended sentence by paying costs of prosecution. Also Dan Gibson of the same place was brought in on the same charge and received the same sentence.

Harold Hawkins of Jackson was fined \$25.00 and cost for killing a deer out of season, appearing Saturday before Judge Petersen.

## "The Quality of Mercy..."



Drawn for the American Red Cross by Lawrence Wilbur

## Sewage Treatment Plant Completed

### SYSTEM ONE OF FINEST IN THIS PART OF STATE

Going through the buildings and over the grounds of Grayling's fine new \$30,000 Sewage Treatment plant is a very interesting trip, for there is some very intricate mechanism that is needed to operate a plant of this kind. The plant is located on the banks of the AuSable river in the eastern part of town on the former Danish gymnasium location. The firm of Davenport & Watson of Lake City were the building contractors and the city's interests were looked after by City Manager George Granger and the firm of Hayden & Kunze, consulting engineers of Detroit. P. W. A. interests were taken care of by Herman Collins, resident engineer of Gaylord.

The project really began on January 18, 1937 through a W.P.A. project, when an interceptor and intercepting sewer was built on Ingham street near the US27 highway bridge. This connects with the sanitary sewer on US27 and diverts all sewage from the river at this point into the new 12 inch intercepting sewer that was built and runs along Ingham street to State street, a distance of 1300 feet. The river was filled in at a point just north of the US27 bridge, and it is hoped to have a street opened here onto the highway.

The intercepting sewer comes in at the pumping station that has been built facing State street. This building is 16x19 feet in size and is three stories high. Two below the surface of the ground are solid concrete while the one above is built of red brick. Here is housed the motors and pumps that pump the refuse through the large force main over to the sludge tanks located about 800 feet away. What are known as the wet well and dry well are located in the pumphouse; in the wet well there is a huge solid iron screen that catches pieces of large debris, such as sticks and stones coming from the intercepting sewer. In the dry well which is also known as the motor floor, there are three 3-H.P. motors, all automatically controlled. On the bottom or pump floor are located the three pumps. Meter boxes, control board and the float control for the sewage pumps are located on the main floor.

The force main extending from the pumping station is laid over the hill at the foot of Park street, and it connects with the sludge collector in the former Wells field, where the process of treatment really takes place. Where the sludge is collected, coming from the force main, are two huge concrete vats, each 27 feet long and eight feet wide. Here in the vats are revolving chains and the process of collecting the sludge in the settling tank takes place. The sludge is then pumped from the settling tank into the digester.

Nearby is the boiler house where the heating system is automatically controlled. The boiler house is built of brick and contains a gas burning boiler and flame trap and there is also an auxiliary burner and coal stoker. The digester is a round tank that measures 14 feet deep and is 20 feet in diameter. In the digester is a floating cover that collects gas that comes from digesting the sludge and the gas so collected there is forced through the flame trap into the gas burner, where it heats water, which is kept at 90 degrees, and this water is piped back into the digester. In the sludge collecting process, the water given off there is piped into the river. This has all gone through a chemical process and so is purified by the time it reaches the river. In the boiler house is a piece of machinery called the Chlorinator, but this is used only during the summer months between May and September.

After the sludge has gone through the digesting process, pipes carry it to two cement sludge beds that are each 22x50 feet in size. These have field tile beds and water from the sludge seeps through these into the river and the remainder is left to dry, and every three or four weeks will be hauled away and used as fertilizer.

In summing up the construction of this plant it took 22 tons of reinforcing steel, 240 barrels of cement, 18,000 brick, 700 feet of 12" tile, 300 feet of 6" inch cast iron pipe, and 16 tons of pipe fittings.

The value of this new plant (Continued on last page)

## Basket Ball Season Starts Wed. Night

### LOCAL JEWELER ADDRESSES KIWANIS CLUB

The High School basketball schedule will open on Wednesday night when Coach Willard Cornell's hoop-finders will take on an always-tough Mancelona aggregation in the local gym. Fans who look forward to the opening of the basketball season with keen anticipation, will hail this event with real pleasure.

With a hard schedule facing his boys Coach Cornell looks forward to plenty of tough competition with the members of the Northern Michigan Class C Conference. A list of nine conference games are included and some real attractions have been booked. Mancelona is a league member and they'll be over here looking for a conference victory in the first start of the season. Local fans should see some real action. The reserve teams will square off in the curtain raiser.

Season tickets which cut the cost of admission to all home games are being offered for sale at \$1.25 to adults and for 50c for students. It is planned that to each student selling an adult ticket a student ticket will be given. It is hoped that these tickets will find a ready sale, for they not only are a real buy, but they help to build up interest in the high school ball clubs. Mr. Cornell is in charge of the sale of the pasteboards.

**Basketball Schedule**

Nov. 24—Mancelona, Here.
Dec. 3—Harbor Springs, There.
Dec. 7—Alpena, There.
Dec. 10—Kalkaska, There.
Dec. 14—Roscommon, There.
Dec. 17—Gaylord, There.
Jan. 7—Kalkaska, Here.
Jan. 14—West Branch, There.
Jan. 18—Frederic vs. Reserves, There.
Jan. 21—Alpena, Here.
Jan. 21—Houghton Lake vs. Reserves, There.
Jan. 23—Gaylord, Here.
Feb. 4—Mancelona, There.
Feb. 8—Boyne City, There.
Feb. 11—Charlevoix, Here.
Feb. 11—Frederic vs. Reserves, Here.
Feb. 18—West Branch, Here.
Feb. 25—Roscommon, Here.

The Detroit News Pictorial Section of the Sunday Detroit News contains scores of photo-features—pages of photographs that tell a fascinating story. See this popular section every Sunday in The Detroit News.

## RANDOM THOTS

Deer hunters, now in the woods by the thousands, should be careful with fire, no matter the weather.

What becomes of "picnic ants" in the winter?

Freedom is your right provided you respect the rights of others.

In middle age you can be a jolly old fellow or constantly mad because you're getting old.

Corn doctors always start and remain at the foot.

Italy says Germany needs some colonies. How about giving them a slice off Ethiopia?

England generously (?) gives Uncle Sam the lead in punishing Japan.

Just as long as the pump priming policy of any administration continues, there will be prosperity, until the pump runs dry.

We might be perfectly willing that our neighbor's sons go to Asia to help fight the Japs, but how would it be if our own sons were drafted?

If the Japs invaded California how many Chinese would come over from China to help us?

A few pictures of the Shanghai battle front would take the glamour out of war.

One youngster remarked that he didn't learn a thing in school but certainly learned a lot at recess.

"Did you tell your wife everything you did while she was away?" asked a man of another. "No, the neighborhood attended to that," was the reply.—Kansas World.

Scientists say a bee's stinger is 1/10th of an inch long; the other 1 1/2 inches is imagination.

Have you renewed your membership in the Red Cross? Every dollar goes to a worthy service for humanity. Ask any local member to enroll you.

## Talks On Science Of Watchmaking

### STATE AND FEDERAL OFFICIALS GIVE ADDRESS

The members of the Kiwanis club enjoyed an interesting talk by F. J. Mills, local jeweler, on the science of watch-making, at their meeting Wednesday. There was a good attendance, including a number of guests. Also President O. P. Schumann who had been absent for the past six meetings because of illness, was in attendance.

Among the high-lights of Mr. Mills' address were the following:

The science of watch making is over 400 years old. The early watches were as much as ten times larger than the common watches of today. American watches are superior to those made in foreign countries.

Learning the watchmakers' trade requires many years of painstaking study and practice, and trained watchmakers today are more able and skilled than are workmen employed in regular watch factories. While the trained watchmaker has to learn every detail and how to manufacture by hand every part of a watch, factory workers are usually confined to making certain parts only.

Certain Swiss watches largely advertised over radios are made under names as well and sold for as much as a quarter less, while they are exactly the same watch except for the name.

He cautioned his audience about tampering with their watches whenever it may happen to stop or seems to be out of order. Much damage may be done when trying to start it going. This is especially true when tampering with the hair spring or balance wheel. That causes grief for the repairman and added costs for the owner.

Mr. Mills urged yearly oiling and said that a watch balance wheel vibrates 300 times a minute and figuratively travels 4000 miles a year. He advocated hand cleaning as the best and only satisfactory way. Cut rate prices on cleaning and oiling or repair work mean inferior workmanship and perhaps the use of second hand parts.

Mr. Mills conducts the local jewelry and watch and clock repair business. He has established a reputation for good workmanship and honest dealing. He is always cordial and friendly and has always been ready to assist the people in making comparative estimates on values and qualities. For such assistance he never makes charges and the public is fast beginning to depend on him for advice.

**PRE-SEASON HUNTER GETS COW INSTEAD OF DEER**

Charles Corwin missed a heifer about October 18, and it was a mystery what had become of it. So in a roundabout way, Conservation officers received a tip that Dan DeShane, and Emanuel Whitman of South Branch and Dick Larive of Roscommon were reported to be violating the game laws, so a search was made of their premises and a quantity of beef was found at the Larive home. Then the story came out; DeShane is reported to have shot the cow claiming that he thought it was a deer. He in turn told Emanuel Whitman about it, and Whitman with his truck took it to the home of Dick Larive, where they dressed it and divided the spoils.

Appearing last Wednesday before Justice Hans Petersen the men each paid \$5.00 fines and costs, and must reimburse Mr. Corwin for the cow.

## Womans Club

The Woman's Club were guests of Mrs. Carl Peterson Monday evening. Miss Eva Dorr, president of the club, was in the chair.

Following the business session Miss Jessie MacDonald gave a most interesting review of "Beyond Sing the Woods". The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Gerald Poor.

The Blackbird Family Blackbirds and others that resemble blackbirds include the rusty blackbird, the bronzed grackle, red-winged blackbird, yellow-headed blackbird, cowbird—sometimes called cow blackbird—and the bobolink, frequently referred to as the white-winged blackbird.

## Over 1,000 Attend P. O. Dedication

the credit for the present efficient handling of our mail communications.

I do not intend to undertake a narration of the history of the postal service, nor do I intend to go extensively into the virtues of the administration of Postmaster General James Farley. It is going to be sufficient for me to say, that the postal system today is, for the first time in many years, paying its own way and that it is not reporting deficits of millions of dollars at the end of each fiscal year.

Our postal system is 148 years old this year and I think that no people has progressed farther in the history of the world than we have in those 148 years. Certainly it is a long step from 1789 when mail moved from New York to Boston by stage coach, until today, when we expect overnight service on transcontinental communications.

To the postal service, we owe much of the credit for the development of our country. Rapid communication, the exchange of thought, views and knowledge have contributed to our progress, and made possible a united people whose homes may be a continent's width apart.

I think also, that perhaps the old time postoffice, as a place for a scattered people to meet, in this vast midwest, and visit with their neighbors and to swap neighborhood news, played a role which must not be underestimated.

Over the years our means of transportation and communication, intensified by the increase in population, have wiped out distances and brought the people of the various sections of the country into closer contact.

This has created a more common interest, not in terms of individual States, but in terms of our Country as a whole.

Welfare and well being of any section of our country must be the concern of the entire country, whether it be in the realm of economic and social readjustment, relief or suffering from disaster, the conservation of our resources, or any other activity affecting our daily lives. Rarely, if ever before, in the history of our Nation have issues of greater importance or greater significance been before the American people. The Federal Government recognizes its responsibility to in their solution.

Probably to many of us the postoffice, such as we are dedicating today, is a constant reminder of the unity of ourselves as a nation. Something like the Stars and Stripes. It is the symbol of actual government—a definite daily reminder that in days when international troubles take the play in our newspapers, that we have a government in Washington which intends to guard the future of this nation, not only today, but for the future.

(Evening address of Lieut. Gov. Leo J. Nowicki).

For the City of Grayling, today brings a dual observance, because you not only have dedicated this afternoon your fine new postoffice building, but you are also joining the rest of the nation in observing the fact, that nineteen years ago, the great countries of the world reached a truce in the most disastrous war the world has known. As we observe this occasion, the same nations with the exception of ourselves, seem on the verge of another great world wide conflict. We should bend every effort to prevent our becoming involved in any of the many conflicts now raging in other parts of the world. Certainly none of us desire a new filling of our hospitals for disabled veterans or a new crop of gold star mothers.

A few days in advance of our national harvest holiday—Thanksgiving—we should unite today, in a special expression of gratitude, that God Almighty and

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## Notice To Hunters

No Hunting or Trespassing on

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Three Months .45  
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THURSDAY, NOV. 18, 1937

**A GOOD JOB DONE**

For many years the people of Grayling have realized how necessary it was that this city discontinue dumping its sewage into the AuSable river. As canoes left the docks near the bridge the sight of belching sewers emptying their contents into this beautiful stream was a disgrace and was extremely embarrassing to those of us who realized this condition, and realized the contamination that must necessarily follow as the waste was carried on down the stream.

To correct this condition was a large order, together with the many other improvements that this city has had to face. A complete new waterworks system from wells to elevated tank and water lines reaching every part of this city was alone a big financial problem. Street paving, boulevard lights, storm sewers and other responsibilities had to be met and the cost to our tax-payers was a burden.

But the march of progress and improvement was on and we are happy to be able to report that another milestone has been reached and another hurdle mastered and that by the end of another week all sanitary sewers will be removed from the AuSable river and the wastes will be disposed of by means of a new sewage disposal system that is completed and ready for use. It was a big job and cost considerable but the improvement that it affords is many times worth the cost. The satisfaction that comes from his accomplishment can hardly be estimated and Grayling has the right to high pride for this fine effort.

Details regarding the disposal plant appear elsewhere in this edition of the Avalanche. The plant is of the highest and most efficient type and is a great credit to Grayling.

**NICE TRACKING SNOW**

Deer hunting season started out with rain and the woods and swamps were heavy with water and deer scouting was anything but pleasant. A number of deer were killed that day however.

Snow covered the ground Wednesday morning but hunters complain that the glare was so strong that it was quite difficult to see deer and determine its sex and the size of its antlers. But the snowfall continues and today—Thursday—there is snow aplenty for good tracking and deer are coming into town in goodly numbers. It is impossible to make a reasonable estimate of the kill for so many still have deer hanging up in camps.

Following is a record of the temperature as reported by the Grayling Trout hatchery:

Sunday, Nov. 14—A. M. 35; noon 37; p. m. 32.

Monday, Nov. 15—A. m. 31; noon 39; p. m. 36.

Tuesday, Nov. 16—A. m. 32; noon 37; p. m. 30.

Wednesday, Nov. 17—A. m. 26; noon 28; p. m. 24.

Thursday, Nov. 18—A. M. 22.

The records are made each morning at 6 o'clock; 12 at noon and 6 at night. All above reports are above zero.

**Personals**

Earl Hodges and family, of Port Huron, visited relatives here Sunday.

Wm. Urich of Marion was the week end guest of Miss Elizabeth Kraus.

Richard Kerns of Ann Arbor is enjoying hunting here this week.

Rev. Fred Hart of Marquette is among the familiar faces hunting here this season.

Peter Jenson of Milford visited his sister, Mrs. Maurice Gorman the forepart of the week.

Mrs. Edna McEvans and son Roy and Mrs. William Hunter are visiting relatives in Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Chassey of Walled Lake are enjoying the opening of hunting season here at the cabin of Mrs. Frank Barnett.

Claude Reynolds of Muskegon and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ried of Twining spent the forepart of the week at the home of Mrs. James Reynolds.

Mrs. Adolph Peterson is entertaining her brothers, Bernard Bromwell of Ludington and Fred Bromwell of Lake Leelanau, who are here for hunting.

**CHURCHES OF FOUR COUNTRIES ADOPT PROJECTS**

The delegates representing churches of seven different denominations in Ogemaw, Oscoda, Roscommon and Crawford counties met at the Methodist church in West Branch on Tuesday of last week. More than forty delegates attended the afternoon session and many of these remained for the evening. The most important development of the meeting was the decision of the group to adopt certain projects as part of a program to reach and serve the unchurched population in the various counties.

One of the projects was to make an every-home visitation throughout the four counties, in order to interest the families in the church and to obtain information which might assist the churches in their effort to serve every home. Each church will be asked to survey its own area.

Another project will be the interviewing of twenty-five to fifty persons in a community in each county, in an effort to learn why more than half of the population does not go to church.

Other projects will be undertaken, among them being the distribution of religious literature in the homes of every community and an investigation into the religious needs of pulp-wood camps.

It is expected that the carrying out of these projects within a few weeks will prove of great value to our people.

During the afternoon, under the leadership of the Rev. Wesley Dudgeon of West Branch, an interesting discussion was held. The questions under consideration were: "Why do so many people not attend or help with the work of the church?" "What has the church to offer people?" "What is the great objective of the Christian religion?" "How can the church serve its people?"

The task of the church was seen as the building of the Kingdom of God on earth. It was seen that the task of the church is to achieve social as well as individual salvation.

Mrs. Verne Nye of Rose City led the devotions in the afternoon; the Rev. Mr. Reginald Hocking conducted the services in the evening. The Rev. Mr. Frank Mitchell of Comins gave an inspirational address near the close of the session.

The meeting was under the auspices of the Four County Council of Churches and Christian Education and includes all Protestant churches in the four counties.

A complimentary supper was served by the Methodist Episcopal Church for all the delegates.

Those from Crawford county who were in attendance were: Rev. Edgar Flory, Axel Peterson, Mrs. Augustus Funk, and Mrs. A. J. Trudeau.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Laurent of Grand Rapids were Grayling callers Saturday.

Guy Peterson of Bay City visited relatives here the forepart of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bensinger and daughter Barbara Lee, of Lansing, and friends visited Mrs. Bensinger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gotho over the opening of the hunting season.

Perry Mills, of the Grayling Jewelry Shoppe, went to Sandusky Saturday. He returned Sunday with his brother, Dwight, who will spend a few days hunting with his father, F. J. Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Edwards have as their guests this week two brothers of the latter, Donald and Fred Zoulek of East Jordan, who are here deer hunting. Also Fred Edwards, of Flint, brother of the former, was here trying his luck a couple of days the opening of the season.

Mrs. Kate Loskos, accompanied by her sister Mrs. Susie McFarland and daughter-in-law Mrs. Carl Loskos, of Grand Rapids, who were her guests, returned Friday from a ten day trip, visiting Mrs. Loskos' sister Mrs. Archie Charron, at Munising and stopping at Marquette and the Soo. Mrs. McFarland and Mrs. Loskos returned to their home in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Guests at the home of Mrs. M. Bates for the opening of the hunting season include: Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Jerome and son Benjamin, Jr., of Pontiac; Wilbur Walton, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Sparks and children, Betty and Jack, of Lansing; Alfred Hermann of Grand Rapids; A. Wattum of Flint; and A. W. McDonalds. Three of the men were fortunate in getting their buck on the first day of the season, Messrs. Hermann, Ben Jerome, Jr., and A. Wattum.

**Hunting Accident Proves Fatal**

William Peterson, age 23, of Saginaw, who was shot near Lovells Monday while deer hunting, passed away at Mercy Hospital this afternoon at 1:25 o'clock.

The young man claimed that after he was shot a hunter approached him and then left telling that he would go for help but he never returned. Peterson was later found by his hunting companions and brought to Mercy Hospital.

**Staley Haugh Dies****PASSES AWAY AS FINAL WORK IS BROADCAST**

Staley Haugh, 21-year-old Michigan State College senior, died Friday night at 9:15 o'clock as his final work, the "Varsity Show" was being broadcast over a nation-wide network.

Staley had long been prominent in campus dramatic and radio circles writing and directing several of the independent men's radio skits over WKAR. He had been appointed a member of the committee in charge of obtaining student-written scripts for the nation-wide radio show presented Friday night, and had contributed a script himself which according to Producer Gordon Whyte, will be taken to New York for possible professional production.

After being treated for a head cold three times within the week at the college hospital, Staley had been sent to his home in Mason for a complete rest. Thursday he was sent to St. Lawrence hospital for a sinus operation. Infection spread and meningitis set in and finally caused the death.

Staley became prominent through his activity and talent on the campus with his acting in such college productions as "The Late Christopher Bean," "Take My Advice," "Monsieur Beaucaire," and "That Ferguson Family," the latter a summer school play. As a journalism major he worked for a time as a reporter on the State News and during the current term he had been conducting "Sock and Buskin," a critical column on the theatre. He was also a contributor to The Spartan, a college monthly.

He had maintained well over a average in his classroom, and in addition to his other activities he was vice president of Theta Alpha Phi, dramatics honorary society; was a member of La Cofradia, Spanish honorary, and produced dramatic sketches at Mason high school, where he graduated in 1934.

He is survived by the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Haugh. Funeral services took place Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Ball funeral home and interment was in Maple Grove cemetery.—Lansing State Journal.

**Well Known In Grayling**  
Grayling was shocked to learn of the death of Staley Haugh. The latter has been, since childhood, spending a good share of his summers here at Lake Margrethe, where he was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Carl Michelson. During these visits he had become well known among Grayling people, all of whom are saddened with the news of his passing.

It was a very pleasant evening and best wishes were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Shaw and Mr. and Mrs. Gierke for many more years of wedded happiness.

**Today's Freight Trains**

AMERICA has always been a great user of rail-road freight service. Ours has been a major dependence on that service.

Have America's railroads speeded up their freight service to keep abreast of this faster era?

America has the fastest freight trains in the world.

Many of them travel on schedules as rigid as passenger schedules.

Many of them are speedier than passenger trains were 15 years ago. Many of them have cut from 5 to 20 to 30 hours off

of their 1930 schedules.

Basically, America's freight trains have been speeded up 55% in the past six years. Freight trains with average speeds above 45 miles per hour are becoming the rule.



In 1922 the average freight train carried 676 tons of freight; consisted of 38 cars; maintained an average speed (including all stops) of 11.1 miles per hour, performed in the average hour a service equivalent to carrying 7,479 tons of freight a mile, with payments for loss and damage to freight amounting to \$1.11 per car loaded with revenue freight.

Today the average freight train carries 731 tons; averages 46 cars per train; has an average speed of 16.0 miles per hour; has an hour-performance equivalent of 11,718 ton-miles; and claims for loss and damage have dropped to 50 cents per loaded car.

A fast-moving world requires fast and efficient freight service. America's railroads are providing it.

**MICHIGAN RAILROADS ASSOCIATION**

—We Serve Michigan—

**Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Shaw were married 50 years ago last Friday and their daughter Mrs. Chris Jenson arranged a celebration at Camp Grant on the AuSable Friday evening, to make the occasion a memorable one.

Besides Mr. and Mrs. Shaw, there were two other honor guests Mr. and Mrs. Adam Gierke, who will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on November 23rd. There were many relatives from out of town together with Rev. and Mrs. Edgar Flory, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Flower and Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport.

At 7:00 o'clock a wedding supper was served, potted plants and cut flowers decorating the table in the cabin dining room.

During the course of the evening both honored couples repeated their marriage vows before Rev. Flory.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaw have two sons, Walter and Burton, and one daughter, Mrs. Chris Jenson, who with their families were present for the festivities. There are also four grandchildren and one great grandchild. Out-of-town guests included the following: Mr. and Mrs. Burton Shaw and son Burton Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Fouth, Gladwin; Mr. and Mrs. William Shaw, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson, Ashley, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Mack, Durand; Archie Shaw, Owosso; Mr. and Mrs. Burton Shaw, Pentwater, Mich.; Charles Mann, Bay City.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Shaw were born in Gratiot county, the former on Dec. 8, 1887 and Mrs. Shaw who was Olive Wilbur, was born April 14, 1891. They were married in that county, and came to Grayling 38 years ago. Mr. Shaw had been ticket agent for the Michigan Central railroad and telegraph operator at the local depot since that time, and this summer received his pension. Now most of their time is spent at Camp Grant on the river, where they cater to fishermen and hunters.

The couple have hosts of friends and the Avalanche joins with them in extending congratulations and best wishes.

**Lodges Honor Members**

Saturday evening both Mr. and Mrs. Shaw and Mr. and Mrs. Gierke, who are members of the Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star Chapter, respectively were honored with a delightful party. Cards were enjoyed during the evening with a large assemblage present.

Just before lunch was announced, a mock wedding was staged by some of the members, and none other than "Tiny" Russell appeared clad as a bride carrying a vegetable bouquet and following close on "her" heels was the groom. Earl Woods was the groom and "hiccupps" made it necessary to lead him to the pump, where the wedding ceremony took place, Axel Peterson tying the knot. This was lot of fun and caused many a hearty laugh from the crowd.

A gold cloth covered the bridal table and a beautiful wedding cake centered it, flanked on either side by gold candelabra holding white candles, and vases holding golden colored mums. At this table were both bridal couples and some of the members of their families. Following the repast, Charles Moore presiding as master of ceremonies, presented each couple with a lovely floor lamp and beautiful bouquets of golden bebe mums which they graciously received.

It was a very pleasant evening and best wishes were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Shaw and Mr. and Mrs. Gierke for many more years of wedded happiness.

**The Michigan Mirror**

Non-partisan News Letter  
Michigan Press Association  
By GENE ALLEMAN

States bureau of agricultural economics, in its report on the outlook for 1937-38, views the existing recession as "relatively short," adding that "the appraisal of general conditions gives some support to the impression based upon the situation for individual industries that it (the business recession) will run well into 1938."

Dr. Raymond E. Moley, former advisor of President Roosevelt, said in Detroit last week that the downward trend was a "minor depression" and that things will boom again after next spring.

**Sealed Bids**

Sealed bids will be received by Roy O. Milnes, Secretary Board of Education, Grayling, Mich., up to and including Monday, Nov. 22, 1937 at 7:30 p. m., eastern standard time, for a Truck Chassis with the following specifications:

- 1—Capacity, 1½ ton rating.
- 2—Wheelbase, 157".
- 3—Tires, 7.00 x 20, snow tread, 6 ply.
- 4—Wheels, Dual.
- 5—Springs, regular and helper springs.
- 6—Anti-Law speed.
- 7—Chassis only, no cab.
- 8—Equipped with governor.
- 9—Heater and Defroster large enough for 25 passenger school bus.

10—Chassis to be delivered in Grand Rapids and picked up in Grand Rapids.

Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

**T. B. CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE**

The T. B. Christmas seal sale will soon be here, and it is my hope that the citizens of Crawford county will respond generously. It is thru the money received from these seals that the Tuberculosis Association can send to our county twice a year the T. B. clinic, which will give X-rays at a nominal cost, or free, to those people who have been delaying thru lack of finances to have this done.

While no active cases were diagnosed thru this service last year, the fears of many people, that they had this dread disease, were set at rest, and several cases of childhood type arrested.

However, other foodstuffs for the holiday dinner will cost less as most product prices have fallen several notches. Michigan's large potato yield this year will bring less money to growers.

**Michigan Payrolls**

At the same time that Dun and Bradstreet were reporting that retail sales were up to 18 per cent higher in October as compared with the same month one year ago, the state board of tax administration announced that the percentage gain in Michigan retail sales was 19.4 per cent.

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**Children in Court**

Judge Malcolm Hatfield

Five cases heard in juvenile court this week plainly revealed that young men and women must be associated with the church and character building groups if they are to avoid the unwholesome influences of the questionable dance hall and beer garden.

So long as parents and adults scoff at the church and the efforts of character building groups, the United States will continue to lead the world in organized crime. Persons of this type should not blame the politician when their taxes are high, for it costs approximately \$350,000 to construct a cell block for a single youth who has developed into a hardened adult offender.

Another Name for the U. S. James Wilson's original draft of the Constitution shows that an effort was made to call the nation "The United People and States of America."

**Frederic Notes**

Eighteen deer and one bear, a 300 pounder, accounted for the first day of the open season; this is Frederic's record for 1937. Local residents securing their buck were Robert Lozon, Henry Laughton, Wm. Johnson, Archie Howe and Geo. Bindschadl.

**Brown, Blue, Gray Eyes**  
According to a German insurance doctor, brown-eyed people are a bad risk and he backs this up with observations made during his 30 years' experience, says Pearson's London Weekly. Blue or gray eyes are an indication of long life, he finds. All the brown-eyed people he has known died between fifty and fifty-five years of age. But medical specialists do not think much of this theory. They point out that age itself takes the color out of hair and eyes, so that a person who started life with deep brown eyes might quite easily reach a ripe old age with eyes of a paler shade.

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**LITTLE STORIES  
FOR BEDTIME**  
by Thornton W.  
Burgess

**REDDY FOX IS LAUGHED AT**

REDDY FOX was miserable. Yes, sir, Reddy Fox was miserable. To be continually laughed at is enough to make any one miserable. No one ever likes to be laughed at unless they are trying to make people laugh at them. Reddy Fox wasn't doing anything of that kind. Oh my, no! No, indeed! Reddy considers himself a very fine gentleman and so, of course, he wouldn't think of doing anything to make people laugh at him. But they did laugh at him just the same.



Reddy Fox Was Miserable—to Be Continually Laughed at Is Enough to Make Any One Miserable.

even the very smallest, and it was all because of the way he ran from Buster Bear with Jumper the Hare right at his heels. You see everybody pretended to believe that it was from Jumper that he was running away.

So Reddy was very miserable. If he went down on the Green Meadows Danny Meadow Mouse would be sure to call out:

"Mr. Reddy has a scare  
At the shadow of a hare."

Then Danny would laugh in the most provoking manner, and hide where Reddy could not get at him. If he went down to the Smiling Pool he would no sooner come in

sight of Jerry Muskrat than Jerry would shout:

"Reddy, Reddy, you watch out! Jumper's somewhere hereabout."

Then Jerry would laugh in the most provoking way and Reddy couldn't do a thing, because Jerry would be swimming with only his head out of water.

If he went to the Green Forest he would be sure to hear Uncle Billy Possum's funny chuckle from some tree overhead and then Uncle Billy would say:

"Ah done hear say it fo' a fac', Who runs away will sho' come back."

Then all Reddy could do would be to grind his teeth and tell Uncle Billy what dreadful things he would do to him if he ever caught him.

Now, of course, all that the little people of the Green Forest and the Green Meadows did these things for was to tease Reddy Fox. When he grew angry they laughed, and the angrier he grew the harder they laughed. Of course that wasn't at all nice of them. But they didn't stop to think of that. Not one of them loves Reddy Fox, and now that they had a chance to get even with him for all the frights he had given them, and for all the mean things he had done to them, they were just bound to make the most of it. You see it didn't enter their heads that they might be making trouble for some one else. All they thought of was making Reddy Fox feel miserable.

But it is not very often that you or I or anybody else can make trouble for just one person. Did you ever think of that? It's so. You go ask Jumper the Hare. All Jumper's friends were laughing at Reddy Fox, and shouting mean things at him and calling him a coward, because they knew it made Reddy feel uncomfortable and miserable. It didn't once enter their heads that they were making trouble for any one else. Yet they were. They were making a lot of trouble for some one else, and that some one was Jumper the Hare.

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Good Advice

**School Notes**

The school observed Armistice Day through its participation in the ceremonies marking the dedication of the new Postoffice. All the pupils above the third grade marched with an escort of teachers and headed by the Drum & Bugle Corps to the scene of the exercises. In addition to this a minute of silence was observed at eleven o'clock in all the high school classes.

Seven hornets enlivened the scene in the Second grade room one day last week when they emerged from a nest brought to school by Judge Moore, and although hornets generally are rather actively dangerous, these seemed to be rather stupefied upon finding themselves promoted to Grade Two. The next day four more appeared, and had to be subdued, and on the following day only one put in an appearance. It is hoped that an even dozen will end the whole affair.

The Kindergarten youngsters, under Miss Tapio's direction have been preparing a model of the city of Grayling, made from cardboard boxes cut and colored. While it's not a detailed reproduction it still is an interesting project and close enough to be recognizable. More buildings are in the process of construction and when complete Michigan Avenue can be assembled in proper order. You ought to hear that Rhythm Band, too.

**Successful Hunters**

Real nimrods, true followers of good old Dan'l Boone, four high school boys went out Monday and knocked over their buck with the greatest of ease, returning to school afterward. The four were Kenneth Peterson, Clayton Anthony, Junior Lovely and Wesley Dunham, and they have a right to be proud of their marksmanship. The rest of the high school hunters weren't so fortunate.

**The Red Cross Drive**

The annual Red Cross Drive is being held in the local schools during this week and until Tuesday of next week. Each room joins the Junior Red Cross by collecting one dollar. For this the room receives a sticker and a subscription to the Junior Red Cross magazine. The upper six grades are also being approached to join.

Members of the school faculty last year joined the Red Cross one hundred percent and will have an opportunity to again join.

**9th Grade Home Economics**

The Ninth Grade Home Economics class is in the midst of their luncheon unit. During the course they must serve three luncheons, one light, one heavy and one medium. They will serve one of these to the mothers and the other two are served among themselves. One of these luncheons, the light one, was served Tuesday. The menu was soup, crackers, salad or dessert, and a beverage.

One of the groups ate in the dining room with Miss Tumath. Mr. Stripe and Mr. Roberts were also served.

Jane Ann Martin.

**Home Economics Club Party**  
(By Luella Burke and Kathleen Kraus)

Wednesday night the Home Economics Club served a pot luck supper at six o'clock in the Home Economics room.

Each member had the privilege of inviting a friend. There were about fifty-five present. The evening was spent playing games and singing songs.

**Home Ec. Extension Notes**

**Grayling Group No. I**

Grayling Group No. I of the Home Economics Extension held the first of a series of lessons on "Making the House Home-like" at the home of Mrs. Dewey Palmer, October 27th. Thirteen members were present.

Two new officers were elected to fill vacancies. Mrs. Palmer was elected chairman and Mrs. Albert Knibbuck, project leader.

The lesson was very nicely given by Project Leader, Mrs. Hurl Deckrow. The keynote of the lesson was simplicity. The "Topic of Discussion" was the elimination of useless articles in the home. The members responded to the lesson in a very interesting manner.

Business took up so much of the time that a continuation of the lesson was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Corwin, Nov. 10th, as a social meeting.

The second lesson will be held at the home of Mrs. York Edmonds, Dec. 15. This will be an all day session with the following members assisting the hostess, Mrs. George Skingley, Mrs. Rudolph Feldhauser, Mrs. Theodore Stephan.

Mrs. Barton Wakeley, Sec.

**Ye Council Eats  
Right Well After  
Ye Slick Barter**

**Deer Is Thanksgiving Meal  
and Indian Is Goat.**

IF AMERICANS this Thanksgiving are well able to appease both their consciences and their appetites, their moral dexterity is no better than that of their forebears on the town council at Danvers, Mass., in the year 1714. Venison, rather than turkey, made up the piece de resistance on a Thanksgiving feast there, but religious complications arose, as recorded by Rev. Lawrence Conant, of that city:

"After ye blessing was craved by Mr. Garrick of Wrentham, word came that ye buck was shot on ye

PEGUOT, YE WILL GET FORTY STRIPES, AND YE COUNCIL WILL EAT YE DEER!"

Mr. Shepard's conscience was tender, and so was poor Pequot's back.

Lord's day by Pequot, an Indian, who came to Mr. Epes with a lyre in his mouth like Ananias of old.

"Ye council therefore refused to eat ye venison, but it was afterward decided that Pequot should receive forty stripes save one, for lying and profaning ye Lord's day, restore Mr. Epes ye cost of ye deer, and considering this a just and rightful sentence on ye heathen, and that a blessing had been craved on ye meat, ye council all partook of it but Mr. Shepard, whose conscience was tender on ye point of ye venison."

In nearby Boston a few years later the arrival of autumn with its storing of the winter supply of salt



Bear meat is no longer generally available for the Thanksgiving dinner.

pork brought mingled thanksgiving and chagrin to a boy named Benjamin Franklin, who often became restless during the long graces which accompanied Massachusetts meals. So one day after the pork had been dutifully stored away, he suggested that if his father would only "say grace over the whole cask, once for all, it would be a vast saving of time."

In the latter half of the same century, whenever a feast was in order in the back country of Virginia and the Carolinas, young Daniel Boone or some other hunter would go out to find venison or bear meat to mix with pork in the habitual "great stew" of such a celebration. With it were served roast pork or bear or broiled venison.

Bear and venison are no longer generally available for the Thanksgiving dinner, but turkey is still one of its mainstays.



"It seems to be getting to the point where the farmer's vote," says reiterating Rita, "is worth more to him than his crops."

WNU Service.

**Michelson Memorial Church**

A Community Church  
Edgar Flory, Pastor

Sunday, November 21st

10 to 11 o'clock—Church School for children of pre-school age and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades.

10 to 10:40—Study classes for all in 4th grade and up.

10:30 to 10:45—Recital of sacred music.

10:45 to 11:45—Morning Worship Service. The children and young people of the 4th grade and up will join with the adults in the Morning Worship Service, but are permitted to file out of the service just before the sermon.

6:30 o'clock—The High School Fellowship will meet in the church.

7:30 o'clock—Evening Service. Persons who for any reason are unable to attend the morning service are especially invited to this service.

Thursday, Nov. 25th.  
10:30 o'clock—A Thanksgiving Day Service will be held.

**Church Notes**

The Mid-week Fellowship Hour will not meet until after Thanksgiving.

The church wishes to thank everyone who assisted the Ladies Aid Society in the work of serving the dedication banquet last Thursday night. It was a successful enterprise.

Both pianos in the church have been tuned.

**SCHOOL MUSIC DEPARTMENT HAS EXTENSIVE PROGRAM**

The Music Department of the local schools maintains an extensive program under the direction of Miss Martha Johnson. All of the grade rooms except the kindergarten are reached with music periods coming twice a week. This course includes the south side school which shares equally in all school services as indeed it should. Miss Johnston makes trips across the river twice a week.

In addition to this work other more specialized instruction is offered. The Orchestra, which is an important feature of the school music program, numbers fifteen, with four more listed as beginners who are working on the clarinet, trombone, violin, and trumpet. A Junior orchestra made up of grade children is also meeting regularly. Then there is the Girls' Glee Club, numbering thirty-three, and the Boys' Glee Club, which has a roster of sixteen. All told seventy-three people are included in these five groups, and in addition there is the popular harmonica band which is not being allowed to break up. All in all this is a varied and extensive music program for Miss Johnson to maintain.

**MOPSY**



WNU Service.

**Christmas**

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**FIRST AID TO THE HAILING HOUSE**

By Roger B. Whitman

**RELATIVE HUMIDITY**

WITH the coming in of air conditioning, and the use of humidifiers, the term "relative humidity" is used to indicate the percentage of moisture in the air. This term is explained as showing the quantity of moisture in the air compared to the limit that the air can hold.

Herb Smith and son Bob, of Flint, are spending a few days at their cabin at the Arthur House farm, enjoying hunting season.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bigham of Saginaw are visiting at the Wm. Bingham home for a few days. Mr. Bigham is hunting.

Lawrence Smith, who is employed in Flint, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith and taking in part of the hunting season.

Lots of deer hunters this season.

Alumni vs. Frederic High School played preliminaries Monday night at the school gym. The Alumni won by a large margin. Several parents turned out for the occasion. Later a cake and pie walk was held. Free coffee was served. Proceeds go for new suits for the ball players.

**Did You Say Cats?**



Jones, a wire-haired terrier that lives in Bay Ridge, Md., goes after cats on sight. So when he came to this signpost with the decorations atop he started right on up.

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**Baby Briton Pac's a Mean Wg'lop**



London, England.—Maybe these side glances at the Wembley coronation fete baby show held here recently will convince the English that baby contests ought to be conducted under Marquis of Queensbury rules. At the left, one of the youngsters, evidently disputing the right of another to compete, seems to be saying (in baby talk), "Scram, you, and let a real baby compete!" At the right, the future pugilist is probably adding, "Well, if you aren't a baby, bawling over a little sock like that!"

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## LOCALS

THURSDAY, NOV. 18, 1937

Rogers City has a new modern theatre. Walter Kelley of that city is the owner.

Billy Kraus, who was taken to Mercy Hospital Wednesday, ill with pneumonia, is reported as improved this morning.

The Danish Church regular quarterly meeting will be held Sunday afternoon, Nov. 21st, at 2:30 o'clock at the Danish parsonage. Important business!

A community Thanksgiving Day service will be held at the Michelson Memorial Church at 10:30 o'clock Thanksgiving Day. The people of the entire community are invited to attend.

See the new line of millinery at the Maureen Shoppe.

Mrs. Margaret Gierke has been quite ill at her home for several days.

Roscommon is getting a new modern fire truck. The cost is said to be \$3,150.

For fresh home-made rye bread call at the home of Mrs. Peter Robertson Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 24.

The buck that Carlyle Brown brought home from the Upper Peninsula with him was a thirteen point buck. Everett Desy also brought back his buck.

Charles Corwin reports the killing of two large coyotes Monday by hunters near his farm east of Grayling. These animals have been taking their toll of poultry there for some time past and almost completely wiped out a flock of about 20 guineas belonging to Mr. Corwin.

Miss Dorothy Swanson is a patient in Mercy Hospital where she underwent an appendectomy this morning.

Plymouth has already hung up its Christmas lights, and the merchants are beginning to show Christmas goods.

Mrs. Willard Cornell, Sr., of Harbor Springs, is visiting her daughter Mrs. Edgar Flory, and son Willard Cornell.

Carl Miller who underwent an operation for removal of his appendix at Mercy Hospital recently, has returned to his home where he is convalescing.

Mrs. Edgar Flory's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Orr Metzger of Alberta, Canada, were visitors at the parsonage this week. They are enroute to Florida.

Get your Christmas gifts at Danebod Hall on December 9th, when the Junior Lutheran Aid Society will have a bazaar. There will be aprons and fancy work, and coffee, tea, sandwiches and cake will be served.

The Grayling Kiwanis club had a present of a whole bushel of very fine apples from the Kiwanis club of Bangor, Mich. The members filled their pockets to running over as well as getting their tummies full. It was a very fine friendly gesture from that club. Bangor is truly the apple country of Michigan.

A Sunday Evening Service will be held at the Michelson Memorial Church beginning next Sunday evening, Nov. 21st, at 7:30 o'clock. This service is provided especially for those who cannot attend service in the morning. Hunters are cordially invited and are welcome in their hunting clothes.

Seven Crawford county young persons are enrolled this fall at Central State Teachers college at Mt. Pleasant. All of these young people come from Grayling. They are: Kermit Charron, Charles Corwin, Pauline Entsminger, Kenneth Hoesli, Elaine McDonnell, Eunice Schreiber, and Grace Woodburn.

Have you noticed the wood carvings, which are on display in some of our local business places? They are the work of Mrs. Nettie Harris, and are worthy of much praise.

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The home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Guenthardt was the scene of a double wedding ceremony last Saturday afternoon, when the twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kimble, Misses Lorraine and Pauline, of Maple Forest became the brides of William E. Fairbotham and Gail Wilcox, respectively. The Rev. F. J. Mills officiated.

The following hunters have been stopping at the Charles Corwin farm home, while deer hunting: Daniel Crane, George Boreboon, Emil Munch, John and Monty Apers, all of Monroe, and Julian Basco and Charles Osterman of Montrose. Crane and Boreboon each has killed his deer and Basco killed a large coyote Monday. Donald Corwin, young son of the Corwins, shot his first buck Tuesday, this being his first year of deer hunting, and he is feeling pretty proud.

The Avalanche office delivered a fine new L C Smith typewriter to Postmaster James McDonnell Wednesday for use in the new postoffice. The sale was made to the federal postoffice department.

These machines operate smoother and lighter and with less effort than any typewriter we have ever had the opportunity to use. Every key operates on ball bearings; the shift is of the basket form and lowers with the slightest touch, and besides these machines require less adjusting and repairing than any machines we have ever handled.

Crawford County nimrods were included in the throngs of hunters to enter the wilds the first days of hunting, and a number proved their marksmanship by bringing home their buck. They include: Conrad Sorenson, Herb Walther, Junior Lovley, Clarence Gross, Kenneth Peterson, Ed. Gierke, Ray Waite, Clayton Anthony, Lucas Gomakal, George Litton, Wesley Dunham, Edwin Chalker, Bob Lozon, Walter San-Cartier, Leo Morency, Howard Smith, Frank Decker, Carlton Wythe, Jack Redhead, Carlyle Brown, Everett Desy, Napoleon VanNatter, Stanley Owens, Clyde Peterson, Bernard Bromwell, Edwin Carlson.

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To the members of the O.E.S.,  
there will be initiation Monday  
evening, November 22nd, at the  
Hartley Hall.

Dr. and Mrs. P. E. Bethards of  
Delaware, Ohio were here over the  
week end, visiting at the home of  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sales.

Mr. and Mrs. John Libcke and  
their son John Hanson, visited  
Mrs. Libcke's parents, Mr. and  
Mrs. Walter Hanson over the week  
end.

Mrs. Walter Roe (Mabel Col-  
lens) is visiting her mother, Mrs.  
Charles Amidon, at Lake Marg-  
reteh.

Alden Maynard and James  
Jackson of Ypsilanti, have been  
here hunting, and visiting the  
Gierke families.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Trudeau  
have as their guests Mr. and Mrs.  
Frank Alger of Ithaca. Mr. Alger  
is enjoying deer hunting.

James G. DuBois of Vassar was  
among the hunters here the fore-  
part of the week and took his  
buck home with him Tuesday.

Mrs. A. M. Lewis of Flint is  
spending this week at her cottage  
on Lake Margreteh, where she is  
entertaining a number of guests,  
some of whom are here for hunting.

Walter Hemmingsen of High-  
land Park stopped in Grayling  
Friday and visited his sister Miss  
Margreteh, on his way to the  
Upper Peninsula on a deer hunting  
expedition.

Mr. and Mrs. John Erkes have  
as their guests the latter's brother,  
E. Vos, and Walter Ames, of  
Spring Lake. Mr. Vos was lucky  
in bagging his buck at 7:30 o'clock  
on the opening day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lovely en-  
joyed a visit from the latter's two  
brothers, Walter and Alvin  
Confer, of Flint. Also her uncle,  
Emory Pollock, was a week end  
guest from the same city.

Miss Elaine McDonnell who  
visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
James McDonnell, over the week  
end, returned Sunday to her  
studies at Central State Teachers  
College. She was accompanied  
there by the Postmaster and Mrs.  
McDonnell.

Mrs. H. A. Bauman returned  
home Friday from Detroit, where  
she had been visiting her daughter,  
Mrs. Helen B. Routier. She was  
accompanied by the latter, who  
spent the week end here. On  
Mrs. Routier's return she was accom-  
panied by Mrs. Marius Han-  
don.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hunter  
are entertaining the latter's  
brother, Farrell Gorman, Sandy  
MacNab of Pontiac; Clyde  
Marshall, Milo Allen, and Howard  
Cramore of Jackson. The men  
arrived in time for the opening  
of hunting season.

### Notice

The Moose meetings will be  
held on the 2nd and 4th Wednes-  
days of the month instead of the  
1st and 3rd. The next meeting  
will be held on Wednesday, Nov.  
24th.

11-11-2 Wm. Golnick, Sec.



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P. O. DEDICATION**

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geography has been so kind to us.

We look across the waters, and see the nations of Europe and Asia in a most unhappy situation; one is bleeding almost unto death from the ferocity of an internal struggle; another is battling invading armies; many other nations apparently are feverishly preparing for war, and the people are in daily dread of the moment when that calamity may occur; other nations are shaken because of their financial instability; and in many other nations, under various kinds of governments, the common man has very little left of what we in this country know as liberty and freedom. Of course, we have great difficulties and many problems in this country, which must be solved in order to bring a greater measure of security and well-being to greater number of our people, but no people on the face of the earth have shown greater moral courage and a finer understanding of social problems than has been shown so many times by the American people in times of trouble and distress.

When the road is blocked along which we as a people have been traveling toward our goal of social security and happiness, we have the constructive and unhesitating courage to blaze new trails and to build new passageways, so that the desired objectives may be reached. The American people have never thrown up their hands in a hopeless gesture simply because difficulties have been encountered. The democracy of America has withstood trials and tribulations which have tested the souls of men. We have proved that a democracy can stand violent strains and periods of distress when proper leadership is given and this country has indeed been fortunate in its leadership. This Nation should be thankful for the inspired leadership which has guided us out of the grave dangers of an economic upheaval. Democracy has reached new heights of attainment recently in our concern for the bettering of conditions for the unfortunate and underprivileged.

Next week you here in the northern part of the State will begin the third phase of your tourist season. You started the year with the opening of the trout season and you continued it through the summer months with the natural summer attractions with which nature has blessed this north country.

This month you move into the deer season and a little later you are going to take advantage of the fact that you can offer winter sports attractions which are surpassed in few places in the entire world.

I want to congratulate you upon your determination to take a full year's advantage of the things which nature has given you. Not every district in the State has had the foresight to do so.

Michigan has almost everything that is needed to make it the playground of the Nation and I wish you the best of success in developing your share of it.

(Afternoon Dedication speech by Hon. James J. Doheny)

It is an honor and a real pleasure to be here today and join with you in this happy and historic event, not only for the citizens of Grayling, but also for Crawford county and a large section of this portion of the State.

Unfortunately for you it was not possible for the Postmaster

General or one of the Assistant Postmaster Generals to be present on this occasion. The Honorable Smith W. Pudrum, Fourth Assistant, who has direct charge of all postal construction requested me to extend his warmest personal greetings and congratulations to you upon the completion of this deserved public structure. He also expressed the wish that the ceremonies would be both interesting and impressive and that the dedication of this building will be long and happily remembered by those present.

The records of the Department show that this office was established on January 19, 1874. When it was established it was in the fifth class; on July 1, 1874, it was placed in the fourth class, all post offices having been divided into four classes as of that date.

When the office was established the compensation of the postmaster was fixed at \$12 a year; however, the rate was adjusted and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1875, the records indicate that his compensation was \$38.45.

The office received its first service on route No. 12,510, from Jackson to Otsego Lake, served by the Michigan Central Railroad Company six times a week.

The office became Presidential (advanced to third class) on May 27, 1889, and the first record of receipts is from that date. The financial statement for the period from May 27 through June 30, 1889, is as follows:

Gross receipts, \$206.01; salary of postmaster, \$105.77; incidental expenses, 24 cents; net revenue, \$100.00.

Domestic money order business was established at Grayling on July 2, 1883; international money order business on January 7, 1885.

The records indicate that rural delivery service was established at Grayling on September 17, 1919.

Like "large oaks from little acorns grow" the receipts steadily advanced and in 1910 the total was \$5,060; 1920, \$8,716; 1930, \$9,971; and in 1936, \$12,096. This indeed shows a healthy progress and is the surest indication of a progressive and growing community.

A matter of local historical interest is the names of the various postmasters who have served the patrons of this office since it was established in 1874:

John E. Corbet, January 19, 1874 (Established). Leonard M. Simons, Feb. 2, 1874.

David London, Feb. 15, 1875. John O. Hadley, Jan. 8, 1877. Newton H. Traver, July 17, 1879.

James C. Goodall, June 10, 1880.

William A. Mastens, May 2, 1881.

J. Maurice Finn, Aug. 28, 1885.

John O. Hadley, Nov. 1, 1886.

Mrs. Fannie M. Finn, March 7, 1887.

Joseph M. Jones, May 7, 1889.

W. O. Braden, Dec. 21, 1893.

Melvin A. Bates, Jan. 10, 1898.

John F. Hum, March 11, 1914.

Melvin A. Bates, Dec. 30, 1917.

Holger F. Peterson, April 6, 1918.

Melvin A. Bates, March 3, 1924.

James McDonnell (Acting) Jan. 10, 1935.

James McDonnell, July 3, 1935.

The postoffice is one of our oldest public institutions and one which more nearly affects the daily lives of our citizens than any other government activity. The American postal service had its beginning in the earliest colonial days, about 300 years ago, and its influence has had a most important bearing on the wonderful development and progress of the country. It has been an indispensable aid to the com-

merce, business and social life of the American people.

As early as 1639 the colony of Massachusetts appointed one of its citizens to have charge of the conveyance of private packages between Boston and England. Later on similar arrangements were made in the other colonies. In 1672 the first post road of record was established running between New York and Boston. In 1691, steps were taken for a unified system of colonial posts and a postmaster general for the colonies was appointed by the British Crown. This system was gradually enlarged and improved before the Revolutionary War. Ben Franklin served as first Postmaster General from 1753 until 1774 and succeeded in bringing the postal service of that time to a state of high efficiency. When he left just before the revolution, post roads were in operation from Maine to Florida and New York to Canada and the mail was being carried on a monthly schedule between the Colonies and the mother country. Franklin fully realized the value and strength of enlightened public opinion and under his administration newspapers and pamphlets were carried free or at a very low rate of postage. At the present time we have a similar situation whereby local newspapers are carried free in the county.

The colonial postal service was a tremendous factor in breaking down the isolation of the separate colonies and contributed in a large measure to the creation and crystallizing of the sentiment which finally resulted in the achievement of American Independence. At the time of Washington's inauguration there were 75 postoffices in the United States and the mails were carried over 1785 miles of roads by post riders.

At the present time there are approximately 45,200 postoffices with 536,000 route miles of service, exclusive of air mail.

We will pass over the period of expansion of stage coach and pony express and come down to the next important development which was the establishment in 1864 of the Railway Mail Service, or distribution enroute on trains, the first R.P.O. operating between Chicago and Clinton, Iowa, on what is now the Chicago and Northwestern Railway. It was closely followed by service between Hannibal and St. Joseph, Mo., on what is now the Burlington Railroad.

In 1875 the first fast mail was established between New York and Chicago, making the run in 27 hours. The same distance is now covered by trains in 16½ hours. In 1883, a fast mail was put on between Chicago and Omaha, making the run in 12 hours and a little later it was reduced to 10 hours and at the present the schedule on the fastest train is 7 hours and 35 minutes.

On May 15, 1918, Air Mail Service was established between New York and Washington and exactly one year later between Cleveland and Chicago. The schedule from Cleveland to Chicago was about 3 hours and 45 minutes; now it is less than two hours.

Air Mail is transferred between Chicago and New York in 3 hours and 55 minutes, and between San Francisco and Chicago in 12 hours and 14 minutes, so within the lives of some of the older citizens mail which required a week or more to cross the country from New York to San Francisco is now accomplished in about 16 hours.

In order that you may have some idea of the growth of the Air Service, the total amount transported in 1927 was 1,065,493 lbs.; in 1932, 7,393,257 lbs.; in 1935, 13,268,730 lbs.; 1936, 17,706,159 lbs., and the first six months of this year, a total of 9,834,493 lbs.

At present the daily average weight handled at Chicago, including Sundays, is approximately 7,500 lbs. Eliminating Sundays, the daily average is about 9,800 lbs.

The State of Michigan ranks fourth in the number of cities at which air planes stop to receive and dispatch mail, being exceeded only by Texas, Pennsylvania and Florida.

This is briefly the history of postal transportation from the beginning of our country to the present time.

It has always been the objective of the postal service to render the fastest, most reliable, convenient and comprehensive system of communication in the country at a minimum cost. Great advances have been made recently due to the wonderful business and executive ability, the tireless energy and humane policy of that marvelous man, Postmaster General Farley. Aiding him splendidly in this work are the Assistant Postmasters General.

This building which we are dedicating today is the official headquarters of American Government in Grayling; a building for the use of all the people and a lasting practical edifice to our great nation which for over 150 years has served and upheld the common welfare.

There is a patriotic inspiration in this occasion and the date is particularly fitting such an event. Our minds turn back to the great

men and women who founded our country, gave form and substance to our national and state governments and pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor to the principles of liberty. They built for us a government founded on high ideals, sound laws and equal opportunity for all, and it is for us to hand down this rich heritage to our children.

We also must not forget that this is the anniversary of the cessation of hostilities of the greatest war that was ever waged since the beginning of time and reverently honor those heroes who gave their all for the betterment of mankind. Likewise, we pay homage, respect and admiration to the members of the greatest organization of its kind in the world today. An organization which is outstanding in its defense of that liberty which is treasured next to life itself. The great American Legion.

This fine building is more than a beautiful postoffice. It is the monument of an epoch that has passed into history and the beginning of a new era that is bringing happiness and prosperity.

This building will be the home of an establishment owned and managed by the people, an establishment in which they place their most sacred and personal confidence and an establishment which facilitates the transmission of their business, their correspondence, their papers and their merchandise. It is also an institution that safeguards the people's earnings and transmits their money wherever desired.

This new postoffice is erected with the sole purpose to enable the citizens of Grayling to have a more efficient service.

In conclusion, we hope that this building, with the flag which will float from its staff, will ever be an inspiring symbol of that liberty, justice and opportunity which is assured to all under the great form of government handed down to us by the founders of this nation. Let us be worthy of that trust.

By Postmaster James McDonnell.

We are sincerely gratified by the enthusiastic response displayed by our citizens and guests in the dedication of Grayling's new postoffice building and the observance of Armistice Day on November 11th. The success of the entire program evidences the spirit inherent within the community.

We are particularly indebted to the American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps and Ladies Auxiliary, whose time and efforts provided the stimulus for the day's program; the Ladies Aid of the Michelson Memorial Church for their diligence in arranging and serving the splendid dinner at the banquet; the Crawford Avalanche staff, and Grayling public schools.

To the ladies quartette, Mrs. G. Clippert, Mrs. Roy Milnes, Mrs. H. G. Jarmin and Mrs. Herbert Gothro, and Mr. E. G. Clark; the Masonic Lodge No. 356, the Boy Scouts and all others, we convey our sincere thanks.

We acknowledge with deep appreciation the beautiful floral contributions from Mrs. E. J. Marshall and the Grayling Greenhouses, and all telegrams of congratulations.

The Dedication Committee, James McDonnell, Chairman.

There is much work involved in securing a Federal building to house a Postoffice. The first thing you need is the revenue in your office to warrant the expenditure.

Then you must have the co-operation of everyone to get places.

The Honorable Prentiss M. Brown and the Honorable Roy O. Woodruff who could not be present on this occasion due to the special session of Congress, although Mr. Woodruff is a member of the Dedication Committee. I wish at this time to thank both members of Congress for making the construction of this postoffice possible.

Beginning at this end of the table, I wish to thank Mayor George Burke who has given us the fullest co-operation since his election to that office.

Lt. Gov. Nowicki, for being present with us, because I know he turned down some very attractive invitations to be present at this dedication.

Mr. H. Roy Whittaker, for his part as Construction Engineer. He has done a good job that we may well be proud of.

Mr. T. P. Peterson, of The Grayling Lumber & Supply Co., who furnished much of the material, making it possible for the speedy construction of this building.

Mr. Farnham Matson, Chief Postal Clerk, who has worked harder than any one else to make this new postoffice a reality.

Carl Doroh and Jerome Kessel, come next, as they have also spent much time in realizing this splendid building.

The R. Hanson Estate, who by their donation of the Hanson Military Reservation and Encampment, are no doubt the largest factor in bringing us this beautiful postoffice.

Mr. Thomas Borgardus, of the Barnes Construction Co., who has built us one of the finest if not



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to this community after having been definitely assured of the building, and gave much of his time and energy.

Mr. George Granger, City Manager, who as City Engineer cooperated to the fullest extent from the very beginning, and gave much of his time and advice.

Mr. N. Schjotz, who has shown much interest in the advancement of Grayling. Mr. Schjotz offered the first site, which was to be given to the government free, and also sponsored and sold the site which the building now stands on.

It has always been our motto to give the best possible service at the Postoffice, which I believe is appreciated, as evidenced by the lack of complaints coming to my attention. But it is our hope to be able to render even better service in the new office, due to the new and better equipment.

I thank you.  
Jas. McDonnell, Postmaster.

#### Guests Present

Among those present at the dedication from out of the city were the following:

Postmaster and Mrs. James Wilhelm, Traverse City; R. B. Hinds, postoffice inspector, Petoskey; Postmaster Roy M. Gillis and Clerk Ernest O. Andrews, Freda Andrews and Jennie Gillis, all of West Branch, and George E. Waugh, and Postmaster W. J. Schandehette of Bay City.

Elizabeth J. Schieblick, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Jennie E. Struble, Shepherd; Postmaster S. S. Fuller, Lewiston; V. C. Lenen, Sandusky; James Andrus, Hudson; Michael White, and R. M. Clark, West Branch; Mrs. Alfred Hermann, Grand Rapids.

A. Kimiske, Houghton Lake; Mrs. Ann Walton Dobbyn, Detroit; Harold C. Bellows, district director, State Board Tax Administration, Bay City; Charles Rydzewski, Michigan Public Utilities Commission, Lansing; Editor D. E. Matheson, Roscommon; Postmaster R. K. Bresnahan, Assistant postmaster Frank J. Cherven, and Clerk Aloise Cherven, of Schandehette.

Postmaster Harry J. Lynch, Clerk Rose Kondratowicz, G. Nellie Shetler, and Dell Shetler, all of Gaylord.

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quarters, a new well dug and several trailer house electric light outlets placed for the convenience of tourists. There are 20 in all to be installed. Incidentally a number of hunters are taking advantage of this camp this fall.

At the city office the stairway that led to the basement has been changed and runs from the rear of the fire hall. The city fire department is appreciating the fine repairs made to the fire hall of new cement floor, new overhead doors and elevated drying racks for the hose.

Thanks to our City Fathers for all of these fine improvements.

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